



THE 2023 SOLHEIM CUP

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European Team Selection Criteria

This memo sets out the eligibility and selection criteria for players to be members of the European team for the 2023 Solheim Cup tournament (the “**2023 European Team**”). Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this memo shall have the meaning set out in paragraph 4.

1. Eligibility Criteria

- 1.1 To be an “**Eligible Player**” for selection to be a member of the 2023 European Team, a player must:
- (a) be a current full member of the Ladies European Tour (the “**LET**”) in any class or category of membership at the time of selection and must retain their membership of the LET until the end of The 2023 Solheim Cup tournament. Non-members of the LET or players that lose their LET membership status prior to the commencement of The 2023 Solheim Cup tournament are not eligible for selection;
 - (b) have played in 8 (eight) Ranking Events (excluding the Excluded Championships) during the Qualifying Period as a member of the LET, unless the relevant player has been selected by the appointed captain for the 2023 European Team (the “**Captain**”) pursuant to paragraphs 2.1(c) or 2.2 below. In the event that a player is selected as a Captain’s pick pursuant to paragraphs 2.1(c) or 2.2 below, that player will still be required to satisfy the eligibility criteria set out in paragraphs 1.1(a) and (c). The Captain’s pick criteria shall only exempt the relevant player from having to play in the minimum number of Ranking Events set out in this paragraph 1.1(b); and
 - (c) be a European national for the duration of the Qualifying Period and until the end of the 2023 Solheim Cup tournament. For the purposes of this paragraph 1 and the selection criteria, to be a European national, the relevant player must satisfy the criteria set out in the “Nationality Policy” issued by the IGF (as amended from time to time by the IGF). A copy of the IGF’s “Nationality Policy” as at the date of this memo is attached at Appendix 1.

2. 2023 European Team Selection Criteria

2.1 The 2023 European Team will consist of 12 Eligible Players, who shall be selected as follows:

- (a) the top 2 Eligible Players on the LET Solheim Cup Points ranking at the end of the Qualifying Period, based on LET Solheim Cup Points accumulated from all Ranking Events during the Qualifying Period. In the event of a tie (equal points), placings shall be determined in favour of the player with the higher ranking on the Rolex Women's World Rankings at the end of the Qualifying Period; and
- (b) the top 6 Eligible Players appearing on the Rolex Women's World Rankings at the end of the Qualifying Period who are not already qualified under (a) above. In the event of a tie (equal points), placings shall be determined in favour of the player with the higher ranking on the LET Solheim Cup Points ranking at the end of the Qualifying Period; and
- (c) a further 4 Eligible Players selected by the Captain.

2.2 In the event that any Eligible Player is selected to be a member of the 2023 European Team and:

- (a) sustains an injury or becomes ill or is otherwise unavailable to play for the 2023 European Team (which shall be determined by LET in its absolute discretion); or
- (b) engages (whether before or after the selection) in any conduct, behaviour, practices or arrangements which may bring The Solheim Cup, the LET or the sport of golf into public disdain or disrepute (which shall be determined by LET in its absolute discretion),

in each case, the relevant player will be replaced by an Eligible Player who is selected from the Captain reserve list which will be determined at the end of the Qualifying Period.

3. LET Solheim Cup Points

3.1 LET Solheim Cup Points can only be earned by an Eligible Player from the date on which she becomes an Eligible Player and while she remains an Eligible Player pursuant to paragraph 1.1 above.

3.2 LET Solheim Cup Points shall be awarded in the period from the start of the Qualifying Period to the end of the Qualifying Period. With the points allocation doubling during the year of the 2023 Solheim Cup (from 1st January 2023 until the end of the Qualifying Period). Points shall be awarded based on the below Criteria:

- (a) the top 10 placed Eligible Players competing at an Official Event, as set out in Table A in paragraph 5 below;
- (b) the top 20 placed Eligible Players competing at a Co-Sanctioned Event, as set out in Table B in paragraph 5 below;
- (c) the top 20 placed Eligible Players competing at a Major Championship, as set out in Table C in paragraph 5 below;

4. Definitions

In this memo, unless the context requires otherwise:

“Co-sanctioned Event” means a Ranking Event that counts towards the official Tour rankings on both the LET and LPGA schedule;

“Distribution Tables” means the tables set out in paragraph 5 of this memo;

“European” shall have the meaning set out in the “Nationality Policy” issued by the IGF (as amended from time to time by the IGF);

“Excluded Championships” means collectively the US Women’s Open, the Chevron Championship, and the KPMG Women’s PGA Championship;

“IGF” means the international federation recognised by the International Olympic Committee as the world governing body for golf whose headquarters are located in Lausanne, Switzerland;

“LET Solheim Cup Points” means the ranking points awarded to Eligible Players in accordance with paragraph 3 above;

“Official Event” means all Ranking Events on the LET Schedule not otherwise defined as a Co-Sanctioned Event or a Major Championship.

“Major Championship” means any of the following tournaments or such other tournament which LET notifies to the LET members is a Major Championship (collectively the **“Major Championships”**):

- (a) AIG Women’s Open
- (b) Amundi Evian Championship
- (c) US Women’s Open
- (d) Chevron Championship
- (e) KPMG Women’s PGA Championship

“Qualifying Period” means the period that begins on the day immediately following the last day of the 2021 Solheim Cup (such date being 7th September 2021) and shall end on such date notified by LET in writing to LET members following the release of the 2023 schedule.

“Ranking Events” means those golf tournaments which take place during the Qualifying Period that are sanctioned by the LET at which LET members are eligible to earn women’s world golf ranking points.

5. LET Solheim Cup Points Distribution Tables

Distribution Table A: Official Event

| Position | 2021-2022 | 2023 |
|----------|-----------|------|
| 1 | 20 | 40 |
| 2 | 12 | 24 |
| 3 | 9 | 18 |
| 4 | 8 | 16 |
| 5 | 7 | 14 |
| 6 | 6 | 12 |
| 7 | 5 | 10 |
| 8 | 4 | 8 |
| 9 | 3 | 6 |
| 10 | 2 | 4 |

Distribution Table B: Co-sanctioned Event

| Position | 2021-2022 | 2023 |
|----------|-----------|------|
| 1 | 30 | 60 |
| 2 | 22.5 | 45 |
| 3 | 15 | 30 |
| 4 | 13.5 | 27 |
| 5 | 12 | 24 |
| 6 | 11.25 | 22.5 |
| 7 | 10.5 | 21 |
| 8 | 9.75 | 19.5 |
| 9 | 9 | 18 |
| 10 | 8.25 | 16.5 |
| 11 | 7.5 | 15 |
| 12 | 6.75 | 13.5 |
| 13 | 6 | 12 |
| 14 | 5.25 | 10.5 |
| 15 | 4.5 | 9 |
| 16 | 3.75 | 7.5 |
| 17 | 3 | 6 |
| 18 | 2.25 | 4.5 |
| 19 | 1.5 | 3 |
| 20 | 0.75 | 1.5 |

Distribution Table C: Major Championship

| Position | 2021-2022 | 2023 |
|----------|-----------|------|
| 1 | 50 | 100 |
| 2 | 37.5 | 75 |
| 3 | 25 | 50 |
| 4 | 22.5 | 45 |
| 5 | 20 | 40 |
| 6 | 18.75 | 37.5 |
| 7 | 17.5 | 35 |
| 8 | 16.25 | 32.5 |
| 9 | 15 | 30 |
| 10 | 13.75 | 27.5 |
| 11 | 12.5 | 25 |
| 12 | 11.25 | 22.5 |
| 13 | 10 | 20 |
| 14 | 8.75 | 17.5 |
| 15 | 7.5 | 15 |
| 16 | 6.25 | 12.5 |
| 17 | 5 | 10 |
| 18 | 3.75 | 7.5 |
| 19 | 2.5 | 5 |
| 20 | 1.25 | 2.5 |